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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Non-Final Office Action dated August 4, 2011 (the "Office Action"), Applicants request reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2;

Amendment to the claims begins on page 3; and

Remarks begin on page 9.